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**Testimony Submitted by Commissioner James Redeker
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HB 6712 – An Act Concerning the Operation and Maintenance of the Amistad.

HB 6712 would place the official state flagship, the Amistad, under the jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation (CTDOT), including its operation and maintenance.

Last year, the General Assembly passed Public Act 14-222 which transitioned all CTDOT maritime functions to the Connecticut Port Authority (CPA) effective October 1, 2015. Following this transfer, the Department will not have the maritime staff which would manage the Amistad.

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